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1. FOLLOWING RELEASE OF FIGURES ON FEBRUARY 1 OIL STOCKS AND PROJECTIONS FOR MARCH 1, DANISH GOVT LIFTED MOST RESTRICTIONS ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ON FEBRUARY 13. ONLY RESTRICTIONS NOW IN FORCE ARE 80 KM/HR SPEED LIMIT AND 10 PERCENT CUT IN SUPPLIES OF HEAVY FUEL OIL FOR HEATING PURPOSES. RESTRICTIONS ON STREET AND SHOP LIGHTING ARE EXPECTED TO BE LIFTED SHORTLY. EXPORT CONTROL ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS ARE MAINTAINED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

2. TABLE BELOW INDICATES: A: STOCKS ON JANUARY 1. B: ESTIMATE FOR FEBRUARY 1. C: ACTUAL STOCK ON FEBRUARY 1. D: ESTIMATE FOR MARCH 1. FUEL OIL IS IN THOUSANDS OF METRIC TONS, OTHERS ARE THOUSANDS OF CUBIC METERS.

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	A	B			
CRUDE	446	370	458	415	
GASOLINE	545	546	585	602	
DIESEL	1,450	1,200	1,370	1,323	
KEROSENE	49	41	62	43	
FUEL OIL	545	500	652	490	

3. IN ALL CASES, ACTUAL STOCKS (C) WERE HIGHER THAN ANTICIPATED
(B). COMMERCE AND ECONOMICS MINISTER NYBOE ANDERSEN ASCRIBED THIS
AS RESULT MAINLY OF MILD WINTER AND SUCCESS OF VOLUNTARY CONSERVA-
TION CAMPAIGN. ALSO, DRASTIC PRICE INCREASES SINCE OCTOBER HAVE
CONTRIBUTED TO GENERAL RESTRAINT ON CONSUMPTION.
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